

Queen

Heresy indeed 1 Are all
truths con-
fined only in their musty old
books ?
Let them fling away their
worm-eaten
creeds, and come and take
their lessons
from this child. I tell you,
King, she
is not a common girl,—she is a
pure
flame of fire. Some divine
spirit has
taken birth in her. Do not
despise
her, lest some day you strike
your
forehead, and weep, and find
her no
more.

Malini

Father, grant to your people
their
request. The great moment
has come.
Banish me.

King

Why, child ? What want do
you
feel in your father's house ?

Malini

Listen to me, father.
Those, who
cry for my banishment, cry
for me.